

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 25-30 and 34-37 without prejudice and insert therefor the

following new claims:

44. (Newly added) A process for producing a porous carbonaceous material, which

comprises the steps of:

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(1) curing a liquid thermosetting resin which contains a volatile component having a boiling point ranging from 150° to 380° C and which has a viscosity ranging from 0.2 to 80 Pa·s at 25° C to obtain a cured product;

(2) adding at least 1 mass % of a curing agent, based on the thermosetting resin;

(3) pulverizing the cured product;

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(4) carbonizing the pulverized cured product in a non-oxidizing atmosphere so that the mass reduction which occurs upon heating up to a temperature of 400° C during carbonization ranges from 2 to 50 mass % of the mass before carbonization, thereby obtaining a carbonized product; and

(5) activating the carbonized product.

45. (Newly added) The process of Claim 44, wherein after the addition of the curing agent to the thermosetting resin in step (2), kneading is effected and then a curing accelerator is added thereto, and then further kneading is effected, and then the kneaded product is cured to obtain a cured product.

46. (Newly added) The process of Claim 45, wherein the curing accelerator is added in an amount of at most 5 mass % based on the thermosetting resin.

47. (Newly added) The process of Claim 44, wherein the thermosetting resin is a phenolic resin.